

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. MELK-102D1  
First Inventor Richard J. Melker  
Title Tools for Installation and Repair of Sprinklers  
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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages 22  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed Sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 5
5. Oath or Declaration Total Sheets 3
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy) (not signed)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☒ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
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(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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of prior application No.: 10/183,226

Prior application information:

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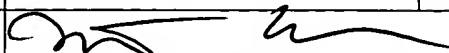
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): Richard J. Melker and Gary Matthew

Entitled: Tools for Installation and Repair of Sprinklers

A Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form accompanies this Fee Transmittal Form.  
 The filing fee is calculated below:

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